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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1998-1999

Draft report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. Under agenda item 116, the Fifth Committee considered the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999. The Committee recommends a gross appropriation of $2,532,331,200 and an estimate for income (other than income derived from staff assessment) of $363,840,300. The net expenditure for the biennium 1998-1999 is thus estimated at $2,168,490,900 dollars.[1]

2. With regard to the Working Capital Fund, the Fifth Committee recommends that the Fund should be at the level of $100 million.

3. The Fifth Committee also recommends an estimate of $325,486,700 as staff assessment for transfer in the course of the biennium 1998-1999 to the Tax Equalization Fund, from which credits are distributed to Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955.

4. For its examination of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999, the Fifth Committee had before it, as basic documents, the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 submitted by the Secretary-General,[2] the report of the Secretary-General on United Nations reform: measures and proposals,[3] the first and second reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999[4] and the reports of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its thirty-seventh session.[5] Revised estimates and programme budget implications affecting various appropriation sections were subsequently considered on the basis of reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

5. In accordance with the guidelines for the contingency fund as annexed to General Assembly resolution 42/211 of 21 December 1987, the Fifth Committee, at its 44th meeting, on 18 December 1997, considered a consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates that were subject to the criteria for the use of the contingency fund (A/C.5/52/35) and the corresponding report of the Advisory Committee, which was presented orally. The amount fell within the available balance of the contingency fund. The Fifth Committee, therefore, proceeded to approve the required amount under the relevant section of the programme budget.

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[1] The financing of the requirements for 1998 is dealt with in draft resolution II C (see A/C.5/52/XX, para. XX).

[2] Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/52/6/Rev.1), vols. I and II.

[3] A/52/303 and Add.1.

[4] Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 and addendum (A/52/7 and Add.1).

[5] Ibid., Supplement No. 16 (A/52/16).

6. The general debate on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 was held at the 12th, 13th, 15th, 17th to 23rd and 25th to 27th meetings, on 22, 23, 28, 30 and 31 October, and on 3, 4, 5, 6, 10 and 11 November 1997. The debate is reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/52/SR.12, 13, 15, 17-23 and 25-27).

7. Introductory statements were made by the Secretary-General, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, on behalf of the Chairman, at the 12th meeting, on 22 October 1997 (see A/C.5/52/SR.12)

II. CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET ESTIMATES

8. Individual sections of the proposed programme budget were considered by the Committee during the meetings indicated below:

Expenditure section	Meetings
Introduction	18th
1A	18th and 19th
1B	18th and 19th
2A	19th and 20th
2B	19th and 20th
3	19th and 20th
4	19th and 20th
5	20th
6	20th
7A	21st and 23rd
8	21st and 23rd
9	21st and 23rd
11A	21st and 23rd
11B	21st and 23rd
12	21st and 23rd
13	21st and 23rd
14	21st and 23rd
15	21st and 23rd
16	21st, 22nd and 23rd
17	21st, 22nd and 23rd
18	21st, 22nd and 23rd
19	21st, 22nd and 23rd
20	21st, 22nd and 23rd
21	21st, 22nd and 23rd
22	25th
23	25th
24	25th
25	25th
26	25th and 27th
27	25th, 26th and 27th
28	26th and 27th
29	26th and 27th
30	26th and 27th

Expenditure section	Meetings
31	27th
32	27th
34	39th
Income section	
1	27th
2	27th
3	27th

9. The general debate on the report of the Secretary-General on United Nations reform: measures and proposals[3] was held at the 37th and 39th meetings, on 8 and 10 December. The debate is reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/52/SR.37 and 39).

10. At the 37th meeting, on 8 December 1997, introductory statements were made by the Controller, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, on behalf of the Chairman (see A/C.5/52/SR.37).

11. The summary table below reflects actions taken by the Committee under each section in the course of the initial review of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999[2] and the first and second reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.[4] Further action was taken on the basis of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee regarding revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General and on the appropriations required for the implementation of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly at its current session.

	Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
1A. Overall policy-making, direction and coordination		
I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	38 622 800	
(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	3 081 500	
II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	514 800	
III. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
(a) Transfer of post for the United Nations office in Addis Ababa	382 200	
(b) Endorsement of the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in paragraph 5 (b) of its report (A/52/7/Add.1)	(196 300)	
(c) Adjustment of the level of the post of the Head of the Strategic Planning Unit	(17 400)	
(d) Deletion of provisions for the joint meeting of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination	(6 600)	
(e) Reduction of one General Service post in the Strategic Planning Unit	(112 800)	
IV. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(813 700)	
Total, section 1A		41 454 500
1B. General Assembly Affairs and Conference Services		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	457 732 800	
II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	11 066 300	
III. Fifth Committee adjustments: Restoration of net budgeting: conferences	(11 066 300)	

	Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
IV. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(20 903 600)	
Total, section 1B		436 829 200
2A. Political affairs		
I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	60 965 400	
(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(18 676 000)	
II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	198 600	
III. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
(a) Transfer of post for the United Nations office in Addis Ababa	(382 200)	
(b) Establishment of 1 P-5 and 1 P-4 post and deletion of 1 P-3 post for Decolonization	316 200	
IV. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(360 500)	
Total, section 2A		42 061 500
2B. Disarmament		
I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)		
(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	12 254 200	
II. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
(a) Retention of 3 P-5 posts for regional centres for peace and disarmament	785 700	
(b) Retention of a P-5 post	274 600	
(c) Establishment of a P-5 post	274 600	
III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(278 500)	
Total, section 2B		13 310 600
3. Peacekeeping operations and special missions		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	99 478 900	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
II.	Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	(306 800)	
II.	Financial implications:		
(a)	The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/52/31, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/736)	173 800	
(b)	The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti - International Civilian Mission to Haiti (MICIVIH) (A/C.5/52/30, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/737)	7 677 200	
(c)	The situation in Central America - United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA) (A/C.5/52/21 and Add.1, A/C.5/52/SR.41)	28 200 000	
(d)	The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33 and Corr.1, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	4 007 700	
III.	Revised estimates: Matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/52/24, A/52/7/Add.6, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	9 315 100	
IV.	Fifth Committee adjustments: Deletion of funds for a study on lessons learned on disarmament	(39 200)	
V.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	1 746 100)	
	Total, section 3		146 760 600
4.	Peaceful uses of outer space		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal (A/52/6/Rev.1)	4 428 900	
II.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(461 600)	
	Total, section 4		3 967 300
5.	International Court of Justice		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	22 077 000	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 597 700)	
	Total, section 5		20 479 300
6.	Legal affairs		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	33 478 800	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	49 500	
	II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	(49 500)	
	III. Financial implications: International Law Commission (A/C.5/52/23 and Corr.1, A/C.5/52/SR.41, A/C.5/52/35)	245 200	
	IV. Fifth Committee adjustments: Level of the Deputy to the Legal Counsel to be at that of Assistant Secretary-General	49 500	
	V. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(738 100)	
	Total, section 6		33 035 400
7A.	Economic and social affairs		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	124 873 800	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(14 446 100)	
	II. Financial implications: Abolition of the High-level Advisory Board on Sustainable Development	(362 300)	
	II. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Establishment of a D-1 post for the Division for the Advancement of Women	295 100	
	(b) Reclassification of a D-1 post to the D-2 level for the Division for the Advancement of Women	17 400	
	III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 115 600)	
	Total, section 7A		109 262 300

	Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
8. Africa: New Agenda for Development		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	5 443 000	
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(57 800)	
Total, section 8		5 385 200
11A. Trade and development		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	105 657 900	
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(9 361 000)	
Total, section 11A		96 296 900
11B. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	21 973 400	
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 160 700)	
Total, section 11B		19 812 700
12. Environment		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	9 304 400	
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(497 000)	
Total, section 12		8 807 400
13. Human settlements		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	13 206 600	
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(416 300)	
Total, section 13		12 790 300
14. Crime control		
I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	5 507 000	
(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	522 200	
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(615 600)	
Total, section 14		5 413 600

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
15.	International drug control		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	16 372 000	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 546 500)	
	Total, section 15		14 825 500
16.	Economic and social development in Africa		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	90 771 600	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 845 200)	
	Total, section 16		87 926 400
17.	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	73 408 100	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(17 240 600)	
	Total, section 17		56 167 500
18.	Economic development in Europe		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	49 310 800	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(4 435 400)	
	Total, section 18		44 875 400
19.	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	90 245 500	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 338 600)	
	Total, section 19		87 906 900
20.	Economic and social development in Western Asia		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	49 704 800	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	220 200	
	Total, section 20		49 925 000
21.	Regular programme of technical cooperation		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	45 921 800	

	Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 354 100)	
Total, section 21		43 567 700
22. Human rights		
I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	46 448 500	
(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(309 800)	
II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	(17 000)	
III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(3 920 200)	
Total, section 22		42 201 500
23. Protection and assistance to refugees		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	50 568 700	
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(4 562 800)	
Total, section 23		46 005 900
24. Palestine refugees		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	19 375 000	
II. Fifth Committee adjustments: retention of 8 posts	1 567 700	
III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	279 100	
Total, section 24		21 221 800
25. Humanitarian assistance		
I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	22 254 200	
(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(3 853 100)	
II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(467 400)	
Total, section 25		17 933 700

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
26.	Communications and public information		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	140 327 600	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(1 318 600)	
	II. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Regularization of the position of a radio producer	0	
	(b) Retention of posts in the information centres until the Committee on Information has concluded consideration of the task force report	1 200 600	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 169 200)	
	Total, section 26		138 040 400
27.	Administrative services		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	904 192 900	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(444 923 000)	
	II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	11 498 800	
	III. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Establishment of 2 P-4 and 2 P-3 posts in the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	877 600	
	(b) Restoration of net budgeting: security	(8 911 300)	
	(c) Funding of one General Service post in the Secretariat of the Fifth Committee and the Committee for Programme and Coordination under the regular budget	112 200	
	III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(16 656 500)	
	Total, section 27		446 190 700

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
28.	Internal oversight		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	18 637 300	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(277 700)	
	Total, section 28		18 359 600
29.	Jointly financed administrative activities		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	6 228 800	
	II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	15 345 700	
	III. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Restoration of net budgeting: International Civil Service Commission	(8 243 200)	
	(b) Restoration of net budgeting: Joint Inspection Unit	(7 102 500)	
	IV. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(601 400)	
	Total, section 29		5 627 400
30.	Special expenses		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	53 720 800	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(883 800)	
	Total, section 30		52 837 000
31.	Capital expenditures		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	35 893 400	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 343 100)	
	Total, section 31		34 550 300
32.	Staff assessment		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	324 600 100	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(2 786 600)	
	II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	11 089 500	

	Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
III. Financial implications:		
(a) The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/52/31, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/736)	32 300	
(b) The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti - International Civilian Mission to Haiti (MICIVIH) (A/C.5/52/30, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/737)	596 100	
(c) The situation in Central America - United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA) (A/C.5/52/21 and Add.1, A/C.5/52/SR.41)	1 752 800	
(d) The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33 and Corr.1, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	327 300	
III. Revised estimates: Matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/52/24, A/52/7/Add.6, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	926 000	
IV. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
(a) Adjustment of the level of the post of the Head of the Strategic Planning Unit	(7 200)	
(b) Funding of one General Service post in the Secretariat of the Fifth Committee and the Committee for Programme and Coordination under the regular budget	20 900	
(c) Reduction of one General Service post in the Strategic Planning Unit	(20 900)	
(d) Retention of posts in the information centres until the Committee on Information has concluded its consideration of the task force report on the reorientation of the United Nations public information activities	494 700	
(e) Regularization of the position of a Portuguese radio producer	45 700	

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(f)	Retention of 8 posts	246 800	
(g)	Reclassification of a D-1 post to the D-2 level for the Division for the Advancement of Women	7 200	
(h)	Establishment of a D-1 post for the Division for the Advancement of Women	57 200	
(i)	Retention of 3 P-5 posts for the regional centres for peace and disarmament	164 700	
(j)	Level of the Deputy to the Legal Counsel to be at that of Assistant Secretary-General	5 600	
(k)	Establishment of 1 P-5 and 1 P-4 post and deletion of 1 P-3 post and for Decolonization	57 800	
(l)	Establishment of 2 P-4 and 2 P-3 posts in the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	147 600	
(m)	Restoration of net budgeting: staff assessment	(10 972 500)	
(n)	Deputy Secretary-General	109 800	
V.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(11 458 200)	
	Total, section 32		315 436 700
34.	Development account		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	12 702 700	
II.	Fifth Committee adjustments: Transfer of savings from abolition of the High-level Advisory Board on Sustainable Development	362 300	
	Total, section 34		13 065 000
	Total, expenditure section		2 532 331 200
Income section			
1.	Income from staff assessment		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a)	Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	324 600 100	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	1 718 200	
II.	Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	13 797 100	
III.	Financial implications:		
	(a) The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/52/31, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/736)	32 300	
	(b) The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti - International Civilian Mission to Haiti (MICIVIH) (A/C.5/52/30, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/737)	596 100	
	(c) The situation in Central America - United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA) (A/C.5/52/21 and Add.1, A/C.5/52/SR.41)	1 752 800	
	(d) The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	327 300	
IV.	Revised estimates: Matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/52/24, A/52/7/Add.6, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	926 000	
V.	Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Adjustment of the level of the post of the Head of the Strategic Planning Unit	(7 200)	
	(b) Funding of one General Service post in the Secretariat of the Fifth Committee and the Committee for Programme and Coordination under the regular budget	20 900	
	(c) Reduction of one General Service post in the Strategic Planning Unit	(20 900)	

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(d)	Retention of posts in the information centres until the Committee on Information has concluded its consideration of the task force report on the reorientation of the United Nations public information activities	494 700	
(e)	Regularization of the position of a Portuguese radio producer	45 700	
(f)	Retention of 8 posts	246 800	
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(k)	Establishment of 1 P-5 and 1 P-4 post and deletion of 1 P-3 post for Decolonization	57 800	
(l)	Establishment of 2 P-4 and 2 P-3 posts in the Office for Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	147 600	
(m)	Restoration of net budgeting: staff assessment	(10 972 500)	
(n)	Deputy Secretary-General	109 800	
VI.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(8 620 600)	
	Total, income from staff assessment		325 486 700
2.	General income		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	35 135 800	
II.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 392 200)	
	Total, general income		33 743 600

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3.	Services to the public		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	5 217 400	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(607 400)	
	Total, services to the public		4 610 000
	Total, income sections		363 840 300

12. At the 46th meeting, on 22 December 1997, draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.18, entitled "Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999", was introduced. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see A/C.5/52/L.19 (Part II), para. 28, draft resolution I).

13. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolutions II A to C on the programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999; III, on special subjects; IV, on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses; and V, on the Working Capital Fund (see A/C.5/52/L.19 (Part II), para. 28).

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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1998-1999

Draft report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. Under agenda item 116, the Fifth Committee considered the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999. The Committee recommends a gross appropriation of $2,532,331,200 and an estimate for income (other than income derived from staff assessment) of $363,840,300. The net expenditure for the biennium 1998-1999 is thus estimated at $2,168,490,900 dollars.[1]

2. With regard to the Working Capital Fund, the Fifth Committee recommends that the Fund should be at the level of $100 million.

3. The Fifth Committee also recommends an estimate of $325,486,700 as staff assessment for transfer in the course of the biennium 1998-1999 to the Tax Equalization Fund, from which credits are distributed to Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955.

4. For its examination of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999, the Fifth Committee had before it, as basic documents, the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 submitted by the Secretary-General,[2] the report of the Secretary-General on United Nations reform: measures and proposals,[3] the first and second reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999[4] and the reports of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its thirty-seventh session.[5] Revised estimates and programme budget implications affecting various appropriation sections were subsequently considered on the basis of reports of the Secretary-General and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

5. In accordance with the guidelines for the contingency fund as annexed to General Assembly resolution 42/211 of 21 December 1987, the Fifth Committee, at its 44th meeting, on 18 December 1997, considered a consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates that were subject to the criteria for the use of the contingency fund (A/C.5/52/35) and the corresponding report of the Advisory Committee, which was presented orally. The amount fell within the available balance of the contingency fund. The Fifth Committee, therefore, proceeded to approve the required amount under the relevant section of the programme budget.

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[1] The financing of the requirements for 1998 is dealt with in draft resolution II C (see A/C.5/52/XX, para. XX).

[2] Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/52/6/Rev.1), vols. I and II.

[3] A/52/303 and Add.1.

[4] Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 and addendum (A/52/7 and Add.1).

[5] Ibid., Supplement No. 16 (A/52/16).

6. The general debate on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 was held at the 12th, 13th, 15th, 17th to 23rd and 25th to 27th meetings, on 22, 23, 28, 30 and 31 October, and on 3, 4, 5, 6, 10 and 11 November 1997. The debate is reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/52/SR.12, 13, 15, 17-23 and 25-27).

7. Introductory statements were made by the Secretary-General, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, on behalf of the Chairman, at the 12th meeting, on 22 October 1997 (see A/C.5/52/SR.12)

II. CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET ESTIMATES

8. Individual sections of the proposed programme budget were considered by the Committee during the meetings indicated below:

Expenditure section	Meetings
Introduction	18th
1A	18th and 19th
1B	18th and 19th
2A	19th and 20th
2B	19th and 20th
3	19th and 20th
4	19th and 20th
5	20th
6	20th
7A	21st and 23rd
8	21st and 23rd
9	21st and 23rd
11A	21st and 23rd
11B	21st and 23rd
12	21st and 23rd
13	21st and 23rd
14	21st and 23rd
15	21st and 23rd
16	21st, 22nd and 23rd
17	21st, 22nd and 23rd
18	21st, 22nd and 23rd
19	21st, 22nd and 23rd
20	21st, 22nd and 23rd
21	21st, 22nd and 23rd
22	25th
23	25th
24	25th
25	25th
26	25th and 27th
27	25th, 26th and 27th
28	26th and 27th
29	26th and 27th
30	26th and 27th

Expenditure section	Meetings
31	27th
32	27th
34	39th
Income section	
1	27th
2	27th
3	27th

9. The general debate on the report of the Secretary-General on United Nations reform: measures and proposals[3] was held at the 37th and 39th meetings, on 8 and 10 December. The debate is reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/52/SR.37 and 39).

10. At the 37th meeting, on 8 December 1997, introductory statements were made by the Controller, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, on behalf of the Chairman (see A/C.5/52/SR.37).

11. The summary table below reflects actions taken by the Committee under each section in the course of the initial review of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999[2] and the first and second reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.[4] Further action was taken on the basis of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee regarding revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General and on the appropriations required for the implementation of resolutions adopted by the General Assembly at its current session.

	Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
1A. Overall policy-making, direction and coordination		
I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	38 622 800	
(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	3 081 500	
II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	514 800	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
III.	Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Transfer of post for the United Nations office in Addis Ababa	382 200	
	(b) Endorsement of the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in paragraph 5 (b) of its report (A/52/7/Add.1)	(196 300)	
	(c) Adjustment of the level of the post of the Head of the Strategic Planning Unit	(17 400)	
	(d) Deletion of provisions for the joint meeting of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination	(6 600)	
	(e) Reduction of one General Service post in the Strategic Planning Unit	(112 800)	
IV.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(813 700)	
	Total, section 1A		41 454 500
1B.	General Assembly Affairs and Conference Services		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	457 732 800	
II.	Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	11 066 300	
III.	Fifth Committee adjustments: Restoration of net budgeting: conferences	(11 066 300)	
IV.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(20 903 600)	
	Total, section 1B		436 829 200
2A.	Political affairs		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	60 965 400	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(18 676 000)	
II.	Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	198 600	

	Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
III. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
(a) Transfer of post for the United Nations office in Addis Ababa	(382 200)	
(b) Establishment of 1 P-5 and 1 P-4 post and deletion of 1 P-3 post for Decolonization	316 200	
IV. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(360 500)	
Total, section 2A		42 061 500
2B. Disarmament		
I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)		
(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	12 254 200	
II. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
(a) Retention of 3 P-5 posts for regional centres for peace and disarmament	785 700	
(b) Retention of a P-5 post	274 600	
(c) Establishment of a P-5 post	274 600	
III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(278 500)	
Total, section 2B		13 310 600
3. Peacekeeping operations and special missions		
I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	99 478 900	
II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	(306 800)	
III. Financial implications:		
(a) The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/52/31, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/736)	173 800	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
	(b) The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti - International Civilian Mission to Haiti (MICIVIH) (A/C.5/52/30, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/737)	7 677 200	
	(c) The situation in Central America - United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA) (A/C.5/52/21 and Add.1, A/C.5/52/SR.41)	28 200 000	
	(d) The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33 and Corr.1, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	4 007 700	
	IV. Revised estimates: Matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/52/24, A/52/7/Add.6, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	9 315 100	
	V. Fifth Committee adjustments: Deletion of funds for a study on lessons learned on disarmament	(39 200)	
	VI. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 746 100)	
	Total, section 3		146 760 600
4.	Peaceful uses of outer space		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal (A/52/6/Rev.1)	4 428 900	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(461 600)	
	Total, section 4		3 967 300
5.	International Court of Justice		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	22 077 000	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 597 700)	
	Total, section 5		20 479 300
6.	Legal affairs		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	33 478 800	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	49 500	
	II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	(49 500)	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
	III. Financial implications: International Law Commission (A/C.5/52/23 and Corr.1, A/C.5/52/SR.41, A/C.5/52/35)	245 200	
	IV. Fifth Committee adjustments: Level of the Deputy to the Legal Counsel to be at that of Assistant Secretary-General	49 500	
	V. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(738 100)	
	Total, section 6		33 035 400
7A.	Economic and social affairs		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	124 873 800	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(14 446 100)	
	II. Financial implications: Abolition of the High-level Advisory Board on Sustainable Development	(362 300)	
	III. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Establishment of a D-1 post for the Special Adviser for Gender Issues	295 100	
	(b) Reclassification of a D-1 post to the D-2 level for the Division for the Advancement of Women	17 400	
	IV. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 115 600)	
	Total, section 7A		109 262 300
8.	Africa: New Agenda for Development		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	5 443 000	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(57 800)	
	Total, section 8		5 385 200
11A.	Trade and development		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	105 657 900	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(9 361 000)	
	Total, section 11A		96 296 900

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
11B.	International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	21 973 400	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 160 700)	
	Total, section 11B		19 812 700
12.	Environment		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	9 304 400	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(497 000)	
	Total, section 12		8 807 400
13.	Human settlements		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	13 206 600	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(416 300)	
	Total, section 13		12 790 300
14.	Crime control		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	5 507 000	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	522 200	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(615 600)	
	Total, section 14		5 413 600
15.	International drug control		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	16 372 000	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 546 500)	
	Total, section 15		14 825 500
16.	Economic and social development in Africa		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	90 771 600	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 845 200)	
	Total, section 16		87 926 400

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
17.	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	73 408 100	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(17 240 600)	
	Total, section 17		56 167 500
18.	Economic development in Europe		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	49 310 800	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(4 435 400)	
	Total, section 18		44 875 400
19.	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	90 245 500	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 338 600)	
	Total, section 19		87 906 900
20.	Economic and social development in Western Asia		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	49 704 800	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	220 200	
	Total, section 20		49 925 000
21.	Regular programme of technical cooperation		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	45 921 800	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 354 100)	
	Total, section 21		43 567 700
22.	Human rights		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	46 448 500	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(309 800)	
	II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	(17 000)	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
	III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(3 920 200)	
	Total, section 22		42 201 500
23.	Protection and assistance to refugees		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	50 568 700	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(4 562 800)	
	Total, section 23		46 005 900
24.	Palestine refugees		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	19 375 000	
	II. Fifth Committee adjustments: retention of 8 posts	1 567 700	
	III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	279 100	
	Total, section 24		21 221 800
25.	Humanitarian assistance		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	22 254 200	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(3 853 100)	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(467 400)	
	Total, section 25		17 933 700
26.	Communications and public information		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	140 327 600	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(1 318 600)	
	II. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Establishment of the position of a radio producer	0	
	(b) Retention of posts in the information centres	1 200 600	
	III. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(2 169 200)	
	Total, section 26		138 040 400

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
27.	Administrative services		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	904 192 900	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(444 923 000)	
	II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	11 498 800	
	III. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Establishment of 2 P-4 and 2 P-3 posts in the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	877 600	
	(b) Restoration of net budgeting: security	(8 911 300)	
	(c) Funding of one General Service post in the Secretariat of the Fifth Committee and the Committee for Programme and Coordination under the regular budget	112 200	
	IV. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(16 656 500)	
	Total, section 27		446 190 700
28.	Internal oversight		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	18 637 300	
	II. Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(277 700)	
	Total, section 28		18 359 600
29.	Jointly financed administrative activities		
	I. Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	6 228 800	
	II. Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	15 345 700	
	III. Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Restoration of net budgeting: International Civil Service Commission	(8 243 200)	
	(b) Restoration of net budgeting: Joint Inspection Unit	(7 102 500)	

		Amount approved (United States dollars)	Total
IV.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(601 400)	
	Total, section 29		5 627 400
30.	**Special expenses**		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	53 720 800	
II.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(883 800)	
	Total, section 30		52 837 000
31.	**Capital expenditures**		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	35 893 400	
II.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 343 100)	
	Total, section 31		34 550 300
32.	**Staff assessment**		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	324 600 100	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	(2 786 600)	
II.	Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	11 089 500	
III.	Financial implications:		
	(a) The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/52/31, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/736)	32 300	
	(b) The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti - International Civilian Mission to Haiti (MICIVIH) (A/C.5/52/30, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/737)	596 100	
	(c) The situation in Central America - United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA) (A/C.5/52/21 and Add.1, A/C.5/52/SR.41)	1 752 800	

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	(d) The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33 and Corr.1, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	327 300	
IV.	Revised estimates: Matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/52/24, A/52/7/Add.6, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	926 000	
V.	Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Adjustment of the level of the post of the Head of the Strategic Planning Unit	(7 200)	
	(b) Funding of one General Service post in the Secretariat of the Fifth Committee and the Committee for Programme and Coordination under the regular budget	20 900	
	(c) Reduction of one General Service post in the Strategic Planning Unit	(20 900)	
	(d) Retention of posts in the information centres	494 700	
	(e) Establishment of the position of a Portuguese radio producer	45 700	
	(f) Retention of 8 posts	246 800	
	(g) Reclassification of a D-1 post to the D-2 level for the Division for the Advancement of Women	7 200	
	(h) Establishment of a D-1 post for the Division for the Advancement of Women	57 200	
	(i) Retention of 3 P-5 posts for the regional centres for peace and disarmament	164 700	
	(j) Level of the Deputy to the Legal Counsel to be at that of Assistant Secretary-General	5 600	
	(k) Establishment of 1 P-5 and 1 P-4 post and deletion of 1 P-3 post and for Decolonization	57 800	
	(l) Establishment of 2 P-4 and 2 P-3 posts in the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	147 600	

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	(m) Restoration of net budgeting: staff assessment	(10 972 500)	
	(n) Deputy Secretary-General	109 800	
VI.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(11 458 200)	
	Total, section 32		315 436 700
34.	Development account		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	12 702 700	
II.	Fifth Committee adjustments: Transfer of savings from abolition of the High-level Advisory Board on Sustainable Development	362 300	
	Total, section 34		13 065 000
	Total, expenditure section		2 532 331 200
Income section			
1.	Income from staff assessment		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal:		
	(a) Proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	324 600 100	
	(b) United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303 and Add.1)	1 718 200	
II.	Advisory Committee recommendations (A/52/7 and Add.1)	13 797 100	
III.	Financial implications:		
	(a) The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/52/31, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/736)	32 300	
	(b) The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti - International Civilian Mission to Haiti (MICIVIH) (A/C.5/52/30, A/C.5/52/SR.43, A/52/737)	596 100	

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	(c) The situation in Central America - United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA) (A/C.5/52/21 and Add.1, A/C.5/52/SR.41)	1 752 800	
	(d) The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	327 300	
IV.	Revised estimates: Matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/52/24, A/52/7/Add.6, A/C.5/52/SR.44)	926 000	
V.	Fifth Committee adjustments:		
	(a) Adjustment of the level of the post of the Head of the Strategic Planning Unit	(7 200)	
	(b) Funding of one General Service post in the Secretariat of the Fifth Committee and the Committee for Programme and Coordination under the regular budget	20 900	
	(c) Reduction of one General Service post in the Strategic Planning Unit	(20 900)	
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	(l) Establishment of 2 P-4 and 2 P-3 posts in the Office for Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	147 600	
	(m) Restoration of net budgeting: staff assessment	(10 972 500)	
	(n) Deputy Secretary-General	109 800	
VI.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(8 620 600)	
	Total, income from staff assessment		325 486 700
2.	General income		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	35 135 800	
II.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(1 392 200)	
	Total, general income		33 743 600
3.	Services to the public		
I.	Secretary-General's proposal, proposed programme budget (A/52/6/Rev.1)	5 217 400	
II.	Recosting (A/C.5/52/34)	(607 400)	
	Total, services to the public		4 610 000
	Total, income sections		363 840 300

12. At the 46th meeting, on 22 December 1997, draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.18, entitled "Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999", was introduced. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see A/C.5/52/L.19 (Part II), para. 28, draft resolution I).

13. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolutions II A to C on the programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999; III, on special subjects; IV, on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses; and V, on the Working Capital Fund (see A/C.5/52/L.19 (Part II), para. 28).

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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1998-1999

Draft report of the Fifth Committee

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III. CONSIDERATION OF SPECIAL SUBJECTS

A. Request for subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute contained in the report of the Board (A/52/272)

14. The Committee considered this subject at its 38th meeting, on 9 December 1997. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/52/14); the related report of the Advisory Committee was presented orally by the Chairman (see A/C.5/52/SR.38).

15. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the recommendation of a subvention of 213,000 United States dollars from the regular budget of the United Nations for 1998, on the understanding that no additional appropriation would be required under section 2B, Disarmament, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (see para. 28, draft resolution III, sect. I).

B. Joint Inspection Unit

16. The Committee considered this subject at its 26th, 27th and 46th meetings, on 10 and 11 November and 22 December 1997, in connection with the general debate on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999. It had before it the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999,[1] the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/52/7, chap. II, part X) and the relevant section of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.[2]

17. At its 46th meeting, on 22 December 1997, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the gross budget for the Joint Inspection Unit for the biennium 1998-1999 in the amount of 8,174,000 dollars (see para. 28, draft resolution III, sect. II).

C. International Civil Service Commission

18. The Committee considered this subject at its 26th, 27th and 46th meetings, on 10 and 11 November and 22 December 1997, in connection with the general debate on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999. It had before it the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999,[1] the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/52/7, chap. II, part X) and the relevant section of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.[2]

19. At its 46th meeting, on 22 December 1997, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly approve the gross budget for the

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[1] See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/52/6/Rev.1), vol. II, sect. 29.

[2] Ibid., Supplement No. 16 (A/52/16), chap. III.A.

International Civil Service Commission for the biennium 1998-1999 in the amount of 11,475,800 dollars (see para. 28, draft resolution III, sect. III).

D. Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1997

20. The Committee considered this subject at its 38th meeting, on 9 December 1997. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/52/17).

21. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General on the estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council (A/C.5/52/SR.38) (see para. 28, draft resolution III, sect. IV).

E. Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

22. The Committee considered this subject at its 23rd, 26th and xxth meetings, on 6 and 10 November and xx December 1997. It had before it the report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to the General Assembly and to the member organizations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (A/52/278) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/52/519).

23. At its xxth meeting, on , the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly

(a) Approve expenses chargeable directly to the Fund totalling 50,069,500 dollars net for the biennium 1998-1999, and an increase of 4,031,300 dollars net for the biennium 1996-1997, for the administration of the Fund;

(b) Approve an addition to the regular budget of the United Nations for the biennium 1998-1999 in the amount of 2,224,900 dollars for the United Nations share of mainframe computer services utilized by the Fund and an amount of 108,600 dollars to be added to the United Nations share of the costs of external audit of the Fund;

(c) Authorize the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to supplement the voluntary contributions to the Emergency Fund for the biennium 1998-1999 by an amount not exceeding 73,000 dollars, so that for the biennium 1998-1999 the resources available to the Emergency Fund would amount to 200,000 dollars after taking into account a voluntary contribution received by the Fund as a bequest from a retired participant (see para. 28, draft resolution III, sect. V).

F. Contingency Fund

24. The Committee considered this subject at its 44th meeting, on 18 December 1997. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/52/35).

25. At the same meeting, the Committee recommended that the General Assembly note that a balance of 18,754,800 dollars remains in the Contingency Fund (see para. 28, draft resolution III, sect. VI).

G. Agreement between the United Nations and the Carnegie Foundation concerning the use of the Peace Palace at The Hague

26. The Fifth Committee considered this subject at its 39th meeting, on 10 December 1997. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the draft supplementary agreement between the United Nations and the Carnegie Foundation concerning the use of the Peace Palace at The Hague (A/C.5/52/16), and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/52/7/Add.5).

27. At the same meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend that the General Assembly take note of the report of the Secretary-General and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee contained in its report, and approve the draft supplementary agreement between the United Nations and the Carnegie Foundation concerning the use of the Peace Palace at The Hague (see para. 28, draft resolution III, sect. VII).

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

28. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Questions related to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999

[see A/C.5/52/L.18]

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999

A

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BIENNIUM 1998-1999

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 1998-1999:

(a) Appropriations totalling 2,532,331,200 United States dollars are hereby approved for the following purposes:

Section			United States dollars
PART I.	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination		
	1A. Overall policy-making, direction and coordination		41 454 500
	1B. General Assembly affairs and conference services		436 329 200
		Total, part I	478 283 700
PART II.	Political affairs		
	2A. Political affairs		42 061 500
	2B. Disarmament		13 310 600
	3. Peacekeeping operations and special missions		146 760 600
	4. Peaceful uses of outer space		3 967 300
		Total, part II	206 100 000
PART III.	International justice and law		
	5. International Court of Justice		20 479 300
	6. Legal affairs		33 035 400
		Total, part III	53 514 700
PART IV.	International cooperation for development		
	7A. Economic and social affairs		109 262 300
	8. Africa: New Agenda for Development		5 385 200
	11A. Trade and development		96 296 900
	11B. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO		19 812 700

Section			United States dollars
	12.	Environment	8 807 400
	13.	Human settlements	12 790 300
	14.	Crime control	5 413 600
	15.	International drug control	14 825 500
		Total, part IV	272 593 900
PART V.	Regional cooperation for development		
	16.	Economic and social development in Africa	87 926 400
	17.	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	56 167 500
	18.	Economic development in Europe	44 875 400
	19.	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	87 906 900
	20.	Economic and social development in Western Asia	49 925 000
	21.	Regular programme of technical cooperation	43 567 700
		Total, part V	370 368 900
PART VI.	Human rights and humanitarian affairs		
	22.	Human rights	42 201 500
	23.	Protection of and assistance to refugees	46 005 900
	24.	Palestine refugees	21 221 800
	25.	Humanitarian assistance	17 933 700
		Total, part VI	127 362 900
PART VII.	Public information		
	26.	Communications and public information	138 040 400
		Total, part VII	138 040 400
PART VIII.	Common support services		
	27.	Administrative services	446 190 700
		Total, part VIII	446 190 700
PART IX.	Internal oversight		
	28.	Internal oversight	18 359 600
		Total, part IX	18 359 600

Section			United States dollars
PART X.	Jointly financed administrative activities and special expenses		
	29. Jointly financed administrative activities		5 627 400
	30. Special expenses		52 837 000
		Total, part X	58 464 400
PART XI.	Capital expenditures		
	31. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance		34 550 300
		Total, part XI	34 550 300
PART XII.	Staff assessment		
	32. Staff assessment		315 436 700
		Total, part XII	315 436 700
PART XIII.	Development account		
	34. Development account		13 065 000
		Total, part XIII	13 065 000
		Total, expenditure sections	2 532 331 200

(b) The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(c) The total net provision made under the various sections of the budget for contractual printing shall be administered as a unit under the direction of the United Nations Publications Board;

(d) In addition to the appropriations approved under paragraph 1 above, an amount of 250,000 dollars is appropriated for each year of the biennium 1998-1999 from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and for such other expenses of the Library at the Palais des Nations as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment.

B

INCOME ESTIMATES FOR THE BIENNIUM 1998-1999

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 1998-1999:

(a) Estimates of income other than assessments on Member States totalling 363,840,300 United States dollars are approved as follows:

Income section		United States dollars
1.	Income from staff assessment	325 486 700
2.	General income	33 743 600
3.	Services to the public	4 610 000
	Total, income sections	363 840 300

(b) The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

(c) Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, garage operations, television services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.

C

FINANCING OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1998

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the year 1998:

(a) Budget appropriations consisting of 1,266,165,600 United States dollars, being half of the appropriations of 2,532,331,200 dollars approved for the biennium 1998-1999 by the General Assembly under paragraph 1 of resolution A above, and 61,209,000 dollars, being the decrease in revised appropriations for 1996-1997 approved by the Assembly in its resolution 52/XXX A, shall be financed in accordance with regulations 5.1 and 5.2 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations as follows:

(i) 13,938,300 dollars, consisting of 19,176,800 dollars, being the net of half of the estimated income other than staff assessment approved for

the biennium 1998-1999 under resolution B above, less 5,238,500 dollars, being the decrease in income other than staff assessment for 1996-1997;

(ii) 109,278 dollars, being the contributions of new Member States for 1995;

(iii) 1,190,909,022 dollars, being the assessment on Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 52/XX B of xx December 1997 on the scale of assessments for the years 1998 and 1999;

(b) There shall be set off against the assessments on Member States, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the total amount of 139,281,750 dollars, consisting of:

(i) 162,743,350 dollars, being half of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the biennium 1998-1999 under resolution B above;

(ii) Less 23,461,600 dollars, being the decrease in the income from staff assessment for the biennium 1996-1997 approved by the Assembly in its resolution 52/xxx B.

DRAFT RESOLUTION III

Special subjects relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999

The General Assembly

I

Request for subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute contained in the report of the Board[3]

Approves the recommendation of a subvention of 213,000 United States dollars from the regular budget of the United Nations for 1998, on the understanding that no additional appropriation would be required under section 2B, Disarmament, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999.[4]

II

Joint Inspection Unit

Approves the gross budget for the Joint Inspection Unit for the biennium 1998-1999 in the amount of 8,174,000 dollars.[5]

III

International Civil Service Commission

Approves a gross budget for the International Civil Service Commission for the biennium 1998-1999 in the amount of 11,475,800 dollars.[5]

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[3] A/52/272, annex II, para. 58.

[4] Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/52/6/Rev.1), vols. I and II, and A/52/303 and Add.1.

[5] See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/52/6/Rev.1), vol. II, sect. 29, and A/52/303 and Add.1.

IV

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1997

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General[6] on revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its organizational and substantive sessions of 1997.

V

Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

Having considered the report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to the General Assembly and to the member organizations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund,[7] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[8]

1. Concurs with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund;[9]

2. Approves expenses chargeable directly to the Fund totalling 50,069,500 dollars net for the biennium 1998-1999, and an increase of 4,031,300 dollars net for the biennium 1996-1997, for the administration of the Fund;

3. Approves an addition to the regular budget of the United Nations for the biennium 1998-1999 in the amount of 2,224,900 dollars for the United Nations share of mainframe computer services utilized by the Fund and an amount of 108,600 dollars to be added to the United Nations share of the costs of external audit of the Fund;

4. Authorizes the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to supplement the voluntary contributions to the Emergency Fund for the biennium 1998-1999 by an amount not exceeding 73,000 dollars, so that for the biennium 1998-1999, the resources available to the Emergency Fund would amount to 200,000 dollars after taking into account a voluntary contribution received by the Fund as a bequest from a retired participant.

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[6] A/C.5/52/17.

[7] A/52/278.

[8] A/52/519.

[9] Ibid., paras. 26 and 27.

VI

Contingency fund

Notes that a balance of 18,754,800 dollars remains in the contingency fund.[10]

VII

Agreement between the United Nations and the Carnegie Foundation concerning the use of the Peace Palace at The Hague

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the draft supplementary agreement between the United Nations and the Carnegie Foundation concerning the use of the Peace Palace at The Hague[11] and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report;[12]

2. Approves the draft supplementary agreement between the United Nations and the Carnegie Foundation concerning the use of the Peace Palace at The Hague.

DRAFT RESOLUTION IV

Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1998-1999

The General Assembly

1. Authorizes the Secretary-General, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and subject to the Financial Regulations of the United Nations and the provisions of paragraph 3 below, to enter into commitments in the biennium 1998-1999 to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses arising either during or subsequent to the biennium, provided that the concurrence of the Advisory Committee shall not be necessary for:

(a) Such commitments, not exceeding a total of 5 million United States dollars in any one year of the biennium 1998-1999, as the Secretary-General certifies relate to the maintenance of peace and security;

(b) Such commitments as the President of the International Court of Justice certifies relate to expenses occasioned by:

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[10] See A/C.5/52/35.

[11] A/C.5/52/16.

[12] A/52/7/Add.5.

(i) The designation of ad hoc judges (Statute of the International Court of Justice, Article 31), not exceeding a total of 300,000 dollars;

(ii) The calling of witnesses and the appointment of experts (Statute, Article 50), and the appointment of assessors (Statute, Article 30), not exceeding a total of 50,000 dollars;

(iii) The maintenance in office for the completion of cases of judges who have not been re-elected (Statute, Article 13, paragraph 3), not exceeding a total of 40,000 dollars;

(iv) The payment of pensions and travel and removal expenses of retiring judges and travel and removal expenses and installation grant of members of the Court (Statute, Article 32, paragraph 7), not exceeding a total of 180,000 dollars;

(v) The work of the Court or its Chambers away from The Hague (Statute, Article 22), not exceeding a total of 50,000 dollars;

(c) Such commitments, in an amount not exceeding 500,000 dollars, in the biennium 1998-1999, as the Secretary-General certifies are required for interorganizational security measures pursuant to section IV of General Assembly resolution 36/235 of 18 December 1981;

2. Resolves that the Secretary-General shall report to the Advisory Committee and to the General Assembly at its fifty-third and fifty-fourth sessions all commitments made under the provisions of the present resolution, together with the circumstances relating thereto, and shall submit supplementary estimates to the Assembly in respect of such commitments;

3. Decides that, for the biennium 1998-1999, if a decision of the Security Council results in the need for the Secretary-General to enter into commitments relating to the maintenance of peace and security in an amount exceeding 10 million dollars in respect of the decision, that matter shall be brought to the General Assembly, or, if the Assembly is suspended or not in session, a resumed or special session of the Assembly shall be convened by the Secretary-General to consider the matter.

DRAFT RESOLUTION V

Working Capital Fund for the biennium 1998-1999

The General Assembly

Resolves that:

1. The Working Capital Fund shall be established for the biennium 1998-1999 in the amount of 100 million United States dollars;

2. Member States shall make advances to the Working Capital Fund in accordance with the scale adopted by the General Assembly for contributions of Member States to the budget for the year 1998;

3. There shall be set off against this allocation of advances:

(a) Credits to Member States resulting from transfers made in 1959 and 1960 from the surplus account to the Working Capital Fund in an adjusted amount of 1,025,092 dollars;

(b) Cash advances paid by Member States to the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 1996-1997 in accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/218 of 23 December 1995;

4. Should the credits and advances paid by any Member State to the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 1996-1997 exceed the amount of that Member State's advance under the provisions of paragraph 2 above, the excess shall be set off against the amount of the contributions payable by the Member State in respect of the biennium 1998-1999;

5. The Secretary-General is authorized to advance from the Working Capital Fund:

(a) Such sums as may be necessary to finance budgetary appropriations pending the receipt of contributions; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed as soon as receipts from contributions are available for the purpose;

(b) Such sums as may be necessary to finance commitments that may be duly authorized under the provisions of the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly, in particular resolution 52/XXX of XX December 1997 relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates for reimbursing the Working Capital Fund;

(c) Such sums as may be necessary to continue the revolving fund to finance miscellaneous self-liquidating purchases and activities which, together with net sums outstanding for the same purpose, do not exceed 200,000 dollars; advances in excess of the total of 200,000 dollars may be made with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(d) With the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee, such sums as may be required to finance payments of advance insurance premiums where the period of insurance extends beyond the end of the biennium in which payment is made; the Secretary-General shall make provision in the budget estimates of each biennium, during the life of the related policies, to cover the charges applicable to each biennium;

(e) Such sums as may be necessary to enable the Tax Equalization Fund to meet current commitments pending the accumulation of credits; such advances shall be repaid as soon as credits are available in the Tax Equalization Fund;

6. Should the provision in paragraph 1 above prove inadequate to meet the purposes normally related to the Working Capital Fund, the Secretary-General is authorized to utilize, in the biennium 1998-1999, cash from special funds and accounts in his custody, under the conditions approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 1341 (XIII) of 13 December 1958, or the proceeds of loans authorized by the Assembly.

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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1996-1997

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

A

Final budget appropriations for the biennium 1996-1997

The General Assembly

1. Takes note of the second performance report of the Secretary-General on the programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997,[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, as presented orally;

2. Notes that the Advisory Committee has yet to review the ninth progress report of the Secretary-General on the Integrated Management Information System;[2]

3. Approves the recommendation of the Advisory Committee concerning the second performance report subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

4. Requests the Advisory Committee to examine the ninth progress report of the Secretary-General on the Integrated Management Information System in conjunction with its consideration of the related report of the Board of Auditors, and in this regard invites the Advisory Committee to report to the General Assembly on the matter at its resumed fifty-second session;

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[1] A/C.5/52/32 and Corr.1.

[2] A/52/711.

5. Decides that pending General Assembly consideration of the reports concerning the Integrated Management Information System at its resumed fifty-second session, the supplementary provision for the Integrated Management Information System of 3,000,000 United States dollars provided in the final appropriation for the biennium 1996-1997 should not be encumbered without the prior approval of the Advisory Committee;

6. Resolves that for the biennium 1996-1997:

(a) The amount of 2,603,280,900 dollars appropriated in its resolution 51/222 A of 18 December 1996 shall be decreased by 61,209,000 dollars as follows:

Section		Amount approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 51/222 A	Increase/ (decrease)	Final appropriation
		(United States dollars)		
PART I.	OVERALL POLICY-MAKING DIRECTION AND COORDINATION			
1.	Overall policy-making direction and coordination	39 349 200	(648 000)	38 701 200
	Total, part I	39 349 200	(648 000)	38 701 200
PART II.	POLITICAL AFFAIRS			
2.	Political affairs	58 936 400	(2 423 900)	56 512 500
3.	Peacekeeping operations and special missions	135 505 300	17 265 300	152 770 600
4.	Outer space affairs	4 176 400	(49 700)	4 126 700
	Total, part II	198 618 100	14 791 700	213 409 800
PART III.	INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE AND LAW			
5.	International Court of Justice	19 985 900	171 800	20 157 700
6.	Legal activities	30 254 500	(580 400)	29 674 100
	Total, part III	50 240 400	(408 600)	49 831 800
PART IV.	INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT			
7A.	Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development	41 938 300	(277 700)	41 660 600
7B.	Africa: critical economic situation, recovery and development	4 365 800	149 500	4 515 300
8.	Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis	47 276 200	(1 821 300)	45 454 900
9.	Department for Development Support and Management Services	26 811 400	576 300	27 387 700
10A.	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development	110 226 300	(6 252 900)	103 973 400
10B.	International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT	22 326 600	(2 343 400)	19 983 200

Section		Amount approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 51/222 A	Increase/ (decrease)	Final appropriation
		(United States dollars)		
11.	United Nations Environment Programme	8 231 100	(1 201 400)	7 029 700
12.	United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)	11 731 700	(150 800)	11 580 900
13.	Crime control	5 194 900	(740 200)	4 454 700
14.	International drug control	16 195 000	(909 700)	15 285 300
	Total, part IV	294 297 300	(12 971 600)	281 325 700
PART V.	REGIONAL COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT			
15.	Economic Commission for Africa	82 360 900	(7 267 200)	75 093 700
16.	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific	67 487 300	(6 313 000)	61 174 300
17.	Economic Commission for Europe	47 951 700	(4 429 300)	43 522 400
18.	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean	82 515 400	(5 631 700)	76 883 700
19.	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	34 143 300	(171 800)	33 971 500
20.	Regular programme of technical cooperation	37 375 900	-	37 375 900
	Total, part V	351 834 500	(23 813 000)	328 021 500
PART VI.	HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS			
21.	Human rights	48 000 600	(2 746 400)	45 254 200
22.	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	50 139 100	(2 554 500)	47 584 600
23.	United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East	17 304 900	972 900	18 277 800
24.	Department of Humanitarian Affairs	18 955 500	(448 600)	18 506 900
	Total, part VI	134 400 100	(4 776 600)	129 623 500
PART VII.	PUBLIC INFORMATION			
25.	Public information	132 390 800	254 100	132 644 900
	Total, part VII	132 390 800	254 100	132 644 900
PART VIII.	COMMON SUPPORT SERVICES			
26.	Administration and management	916 081 500	(21 865 800)	894 215 700
	Total, part VIII	916 081 500	(21 865 800)	894 215 700
PART IX.	JOINTLY FINANCED ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL EXPENSES			
27.	Jointly financed administrative activities	27 483 800	(738 600)	26 745 200

Section		Amount approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 51/222 A	Increase/ (decrease)	Final appropriation
		(United States dollars)		
28.	Special expenses	41 350 400	1 384 100	42 734 500
	Total, part IX	68 834 200	645 500	69 479 700
PART X.	OFFICE OF INTERNAL OVERSIGHT SERVICES			
29.	Office of Internal Oversight Services	15 011 500	(384 700)	14 626 800
	Total, part X	15 011 500	(384 700)	14 626 800
PART XI.	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
30.	Technological innovations	21 300 200	2 944 800	24 245 000
31.	Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	28 648 800	(2 117 800)	26 531 000
	Total, part XI	49 949 000	827 000	50 776 000
PART XII.	STAFF ASSESSMENT			
32.	Staff assessment	348 280 600	(12 859 000)	335 421 600
	Total, part XII	348 280 600	(12 859 000)	335 421 600
PART XIII.	INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY			
33.	International Seabed Authority	3 993 700	-	3 993 700
	Total, part XIII	3 993 700	-	3 993 700
	Grand total	2 603 280 900	(61 209 000)	2 542 071 900

(b) The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget, with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(c) In addition to the appropriations approved under paragraph (a) above, an amount of 51,000 dollars is appropriated for each year of the biennium 1996-1997 from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and for such other expenses of the Library at the Palais des Nations as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment.

B

Final income estimates for the biennium 1996-1997

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 1996-1997:

(a) The estimates of income of 447,737,600 United States dollars approved in its resolution 51/222 B of 18 December 1996 shall be decreased by 28,700,100 United States dollars as follows:

Income section	Amount approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 51/222 B	Increase or (decrease)	Final estimates
	(United States dollars)		
1. Income from staff assessment	363 496 600	(23 461 600)	340 035 000
Total, income section 1	363 496 600	(23 461 600)	340 035 000
2. General income	82 019 600	(6 143 300)	75 876 300
3. Services to the public	2 221 400	904 800	3 126 200
Total, income sections 2 and 3	84 241 000	(5 238 500)	79 002 500
Grand total	447 737 600	(28 700 100)	419 037 500

(b) The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973(X) of 15 December 1955;

(c) Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, garage operations, television services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.